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Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: T.E. Strzelecka

Re: U.S. Application No. 09/937,519 filed March 5, 2002

Title:

Detection of Nucleic Acid Amplified Products

Inventor: Guido KRUPP Atty. Dkt: 19006.007

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

- 1. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (2 months);
- 2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/30);
- 3. Statement of the Substance of the Interview of September 7, 2006;
- 4. Supplemental Amendment and Response in Conjunction with Request for Continued Examination; and
- 5. Return postcard.

Please stamp the attached postcard with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier.

Authorization to charge the statutory fee for filing a Request for Continued Examination and for requesting a two-month extension of time is given in the accompanying Form PTO/SB/30.

In the event that extensions of time, other than those submitted herewith, are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 19006.007. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

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Statement of the Substance of the Interview of September 7, 2006

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully submit the following written statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.133.

On September 7, 2006, Applicant's representatives, David Marsh and Zhiqiang Zhao, participated in a telephone interview with Examiner Teresa Strzelecka regarding the abovereferenced application.

Applicant's representatives and the Examiner discussed all claims, namely pending Claims 1, 6, 8, 10, 30, 32, 34, 37, 39, 41, 43, 46, 48, 51, 53, 55, 58, 60, 62, 64, and 67-69, of the above-identified application. During this interview, draft amendment to Claims 1, 3, 5, and 72 by Applicant in light of the Examiner's comments in the August 14, 2006 Advisory Action was discussed. Although agreement was not reached during this Interview, the Examiner provided suggestions and indicated that she would conduct new searches and examine the proposed amended claims should a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") be filed. Applicant thanks the Examiner for her suggestions.

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If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference or additional personal interview would be useful in resolving any outstanding issues, she is encouraged to call Applicant's undersigned representative at (202) 942-5068.

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